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15	Patna.	. 4		27-07-87 11-08-87 05-10-87 11-10-87
16	Punjab & Haryana	. 6		24-05-85 12-03-86 11-07-86 16-07-86 15-10-87 16-10-87
17	Rajasthan	. 1		21-01-86
	TOTAL	35	15	

Purchase of Cray XMP-14 Super Computer from U. S. A.

613. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to US reluctance to sell the pofwerful 'Cray' XMP-24 model, India had to purchase Cray XMP-14 model super computer; and

(b) if so, the reasons for going in for inferior quality of super computer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH); (a) At the present time the US government has agreed to release the Cray XMP-14 supercomputer o'r equivalent models to India; the higher capacity Cray XMP-24 is not considered releasable.

(b) The XMP-14 meets India's needs. It also contains exactly the same technology as the XMP-24 and the processors used are identical, although the XMP-14 is of a lower capacity. Besides the Governments of India - nd the United States are to consult regularly to ensure that US Supercomputer exports to India reflect the rapid pace of advanced technology and India's increasing capability.

614. [Transferred *to the* 17th *November* 1987]

Purchase of sophisticated Defence Items from US

615. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is likely to buy sophisieated US defence items during the next two years;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Pakistan is buying defence items from USA on large scale: and

(d) if so, what are the common items India and Pakistan are likely to buy from USA and whether India will not go for items Pakistan is buy ing or is likely to buy from the USA; if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL); (a) and (b) It

proposed to expand defence cooperation along the lines which have already been established in working together with the United States of America on certain defence related technologies like the Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) Project. It is also proposed to explore and identify other areas of defence cooperation.

(c) and (d) It is believed that Pakis_ tan is buying defnce stores from US on **a** large scale. It is, however, not necessary that India should purchase the same stores which Pakistan is. Defence items are procured on consideration of requirement, quality and availability. It will not be in the national interest to divulge further information on the details of arms procurement in the process of modernisation.

U. S. Assistance to Pakistan

616. SHRl B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY:

PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA;

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the US Government' has sanctioned a fresh assistance of 40 m to Pakistan; and

(b) if so, the nature of the assistance being given to Pakistan by U. S. ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH); (a) No, Sir.

(b) Under an economic and security assistance package valued at $3. 2 billion for the fiscal years 1982—87, Pakistan has received assistance from the USA, including military supplies and develpomental aid. The congress is now considering an economic and security assistance package to Pakistan of Dollars 4. 02 billion for the fiscal **years** 19B8 to 1993.

Super Powers negotiations on Nuclear Missiles Ban

617. SHRl B. SATYANARAYANA REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state::

(a) whether an$_{y}$ negotiations have recently been made between the super powers on nuclear-snissil$_{e}$ ban; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) An "Agree ment in principle" to conclude a treat? on the question of intermediate range and shorter range missiles was announced in Washington on Sept. 18, 1987. This question has been under negotiation between the two sides as a part of the bilateral US-USSR arms limitation talks being held in Geneva since March 1985. The proposed INF Treaty provides for the elimination of all landbased intermediate range (1000—5500 kms.) and shorter range (500—1000 kms.) nuclear missile$_{s}$ deployed by the two sides anywhere on the globe.

Purchase of F-7 Xia$_{n}$ Fighter from China by Pakistan

618. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakis tan is to buy about 400 F-7 Xian fighter aircraft from China; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Govern- > ment in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL, AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH); (a) Government have seen such reports.

(b) Government keep under constant review all developments having a bearing on the country's security and take appropriate counter-measures. -